

HOUSE BILL NO. 602

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ~~ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE~~
5 ~~PURCHASE OF CERTAIN STATE AND UNIVERSITY SYSTEM MOTOR POOL VEHICLES;~~ REQUIRING
6 DEVELOPMENT OF A LEASING PREFERENCE GUIDELINE THAT ENCOURAGES COST-EFFICIENCY AND
7 APPROPRIATE USE; REQUIRING A REPORT ON THE PREFERENCE GUIDELINE TO BE SUBMITTED TO
8 AN ~~INTERIM LEGISLATIVE~~ THE REVENUE AND TRANSPORTATION INTERIM COMMITTEE; AND
9 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

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11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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13 NEW SECTION. Section 1. ~~Moratorium on vehicle~~ **VEHICLE purchases -- leasing guideline.** (1) (a)
14 ~~Except as provided in subsection (1)(b), the department of transportation may not purchase for the state motor~~
15 ~~pool, pursuant to 2-17-411, any vehicle between July 1, 2003, and July 1, 2005.~~

16 ~~----- (b) Subsection (1)(a) does not apply to purchases of heavy-duty equipment.~~

17 ~~----- (2) (a) Prior to June 1, 2004, the office of budget and program planning, in conjunction with the motor~~
18 ~~vehicle pool, shall devise for use by state agencies a leasing preference guideline for light vehicles, as defined~~
19 ~~in 61-1-139. The guideline is intended to encourage appropriate, cost-effective use of light vehicles. Factors to~~
20 ~~be addressed include multiple occupant use versus single occupant use, weather conditions at the time of use,~~
21 ~~and vehicle destination. THE GUIDELINE MUST INCLUDE STRINGENT LIMITATIONS ON THE USE OF PERSONAL VEHICLES~~
22 ~~AT STATE EXPENSE, INCLUDING A REQUIREMENT THAT EMPLOYEES ACCEPT SUBSTITUTE VEHICLES WHEN REQUESTED~~
23 ~~VEHICLES ARE NOT AVAILABLE.~~

24 (b) The leasing preference guideline must be submitted for review to the ~~appropriate legislative~~ REVENUE
25 AND TRANSPORTATION interim committee by July 1, 2004.

26 ~~(3)(2) Subsections (1) and (2) apply~~ SUBSECTION (1) APPLIES to the motor pools of the Montana university
27 system. The board of regents may exempt a purchase on a case-by-case basis.

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29 NEW SECTION. Section 2. Effective date. [This act] is effective July 1, 2003.

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